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HOW TO GROW ALFALFA

ALFALFA can be grown in practically all parts of this country, giving good yields of the very finest forage and improving the soil where it grows. There are certain conditions which are necessary for the successful growth of Alfalfa and careful attention must be given to them. Well drained loose surface and sub-soil is best, but any well drained soil will do. The land should be reasonably rich and supplied with organic matter. The food value of Alfalfa has been so fully demonstrated in all parts of the country that further mention is unnecessary. The fact of interest to the practical farmers is that—

It is Possible and Practical to Grow Alfalfa on Your Farm!



**First Cutting of 400 Acres of Alfalfa—All seed inoculated with Farmogerm.
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SEED BED

The seed bed must be well and deeply cultivated and compacted by harrowing. It must be entirely free from weeds. The growing of a cultivated crop previous to preparing for Alfalfa frequently assists in freeing the soil of weeds. Lime is frequently necessary. A ton to the acre is generally sufficient.

SEED

Great care should be exercised in selecting the proper variety of seed to suit the climatic condition. Seed which is adapted to hot climates will not survive the rigorous winters of the North nor will the seed suited to Northern conditions withstand the long hot summers of the South. Of course, the seed must be fresh and free from any of the many injurious seed which are found in cheaper grades of alfalfa seed. The best seed only should be used.

INOCULATION

Alfalfa must be inoculated just before it is planted. This has been proven to be absolutely necessary. The use of Farmogerm pure cultures is recommended because it is easily and quickly applied gives thorough inoculation and there is absolutely no danger of introducing weeds and root and soil diseases which the use of soil transfer is almost sure to do. The cost of Farmogerm is less than the cost of using soil.

PLANTING

Planting can be made in the Spring or Summer. August planting is most generally practiced. Even as late as September and October will give you good results in the warmer sections of the country. Fifteen to twenty pounds of seed of the proper variety and well inoculated should be drilled or sowed broadcast. It should be covered very lightly. No nurse crop should be used except in very exceptional cases.

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